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Applicants: BOFFITO et al  
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Attorney Docket No.: Q-12815  
Title: "IMPROVED PROCESS FOR EVACUATING A THERMALLY INSULATING JACKET AND IN PARTICULAR THE JACKET OF A DEWAR OR OF ANOTHER CRYOGENIC DEVICE"

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

DECLARATION

We, the undersigned declare that:

1. We believe we are the original first and joint inventors of an invention described in the specification and the claims in the above-identified application for Letters Patent which is attached hereto.
2. We are each citizens of the Italian Republic. Our residence addresses are given below each of our signatures.
3. We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims.
4. We acknowledge our duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) all material known to us to be material to the patentability of the claims.
5. Priority rights are hereby claimed, under the provisions of 35 USC 119 and 37 CFR 1.55(a) in Application Number MI92 A 1416 filed in Italy on the 8th day of June 1992.
6. This application is a Continuation-In-Part in that it discloses and claims subject matter in addition to that disclosed in prior, copending United States Application Serial Number 07/979,326 entitled "IMPROVED PROCESS FOR EVACUATING A THERMALLY INSULATING JACKET AND IN PARTICULAR THE JACKET OF A DEWAR OR OF ANOTHER CRYOGENIC DEVICE" filed in the USPTO on the 20th day of November 1992, hereinafter referred to as the

"PARENT", (SAES Docket No. "367 USA"; Attorney Docket No. "Q-12810"). Priority rights under the PARENT are hereby claimed under the provisions of 35 USC 120.

7. We acknowledge our duty to disclose to the USPTO all material known to us to be material to the patentability of the claims, which material became available to us between the filing date of the PARENT and the filing date of this application.

① 8. We hereby appoint DAVID R. MURPHY, having USPTO Registration Number 22,751, to act as our attorney, with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the USPTO in connection herewith.

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10. All statements made herein based on knowledge are true; all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; furthermore, these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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